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H.R. 284, "Public Access to Agency Proceedings
Act of 1979"

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The language of H.R.
284 is broad enough to in-
clude any Government agency,
including CIA, but the
thrust of the bill seems to
apply only to those agencies
involved in "rule making,
licensing, adjudicatory" or
similar proceedings. Since
CIA does not get involved
in this sort of activity,
there should be some provi-
sion in the law to exclude
agencies like CIA, if for
no other reason than to
avoid future problems.

I believe that with
the change of the word
"other" at the end of
line 9, page 2, to
"similar" might be suffi-
cient for our purposes.

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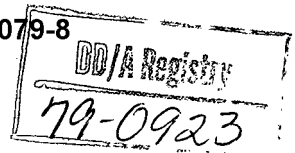
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Office of General Counsel

Inspector General

AI/DDA

FROM

Chief, Legislation Division/OLC

SUBJECT

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1. Subject legislation creates the possibility of award of attorney fees and other reasonable costs incurred by persons who participate in proceedings before Federal agencies, whether or not those persons are party to the proceeding.

2. The bill is directed at agencies holding proceedings with a resultant affect on the public. The question of interest is whether it is likely that any of CIA's administrative hearings would be affected by this bill should it become law. Please direct your comments and concerns to [redacted] of this office.

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